

WEATHER FORECAST.
Fair and colder to-day, with a cold
wave to-night; to-morrow fair.
Highest temperature yesterday, 45; lowest, 31.
Detailed weather reports on editorial page.

The



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IT SHINES FOR ALL

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JAPAN MAY BE BARRIER TO RED GAIN IN SIBERIA

British Official Views on
Situation Await Arrival
of Earl Grey.

SEEK OPINION OF U. S.

Nippon Ready to Increase
Its Army of 30,000 to
Guard Railroad.

ISSUE IS UP TO COUNCIL

Possible Agreement Seen With
Moscow—France Alone in
Hostile Attitude.

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LONDON, Jan. 1.—Although it is stated
authoritatively that nothing is known
officially in regard to American-British-
Japanese agreements concerning
Siberia, developments both in the Bal-
tic and in Siberia are recognized as
presenting a most important new
phase of the Russian question for con-
sideration at Paris next week. The of-
ficial British position will not be for-
mulated until the arrival of Viscount
Grey from the United States with the
latest views.

An American fur buyer who has just
arrived from Siberia told The Sun cor-
respondent that the Japanese have
consolidated their position throughout
by great commercial acquisitions.
Even if they are asked to withdraw, it
is asserted, they will argue that the
protection of these interests requires
that they should remain. Thus, it is
pointed out, it is likely that Japan will
be able to profit by the success of her
Siberian venture through the force of
events, if not with the consent of the
United States and the Allies.

Japan Willing to Increase Army.

Although she faces the task of
checking the Bolshevik flood, with only
the shattered forces of Kolchak to aid
her, it is reported here that Japan is
willing to increase materially her pre-
sent army of 30,000 men on the Trans-
Siberian Railway as the Czech-Slovak
and American troops withdraw.

The withdrawal of American troops
from Siberia presents an analogous sit-
uation to the refusal of America to ac-
cept a mandate for Constantinople. Sir
Hoare Baker, M. P., and chief of the
British military intelligence in Russia,
in an interview to-night
still insists that it is the duty of the
United States to fight Bolshevism in Si-
beria and the duty of Great Britain to
do the same in Russia.

The mass of opinion in the news-
papers regarding the development of
the O'Grady-Litvinoff conference shows that
Baker's opinion is not generally shared,
the newspapers contending that Japan
must be trusted to fight Bolshevism in
Siberia.

Various differences of opinion are evi-
dent as to what is to be done in west
Russia, the latest suggestion from Rus-
sian quarters proposing heavy aid to
Poland and the Baltic States to fur-
ther their economic recovery as a bar-
rier to Bolshevism advances westward,
complementing Franco-British control
of the Bosphorus and affording means for
handling Bolshevism without committing
the historically fatal error of invading
Russia and so being more likely to
bring the Bolshevik more quickly to
sanity.

See Possible Agreement.

The Russian situation is beginning to
be compared to the attempted inter-
ference of the Powers in France after the
revolution.

Meanwhile the O'Grady-Litvinoff ne-
gotiations, although limited officially to
the exchange of prisoners, continue to be
regarded both in British and Bolshevik
quarters as containing the germ of a
settlement with Moscow, according to
those well informed here. France alone
is standing out firmly against any ar-
rangement with the Bolsheviks, Italy
holding that further isolation will be
futile. Important British and American
opinion here is similarly inclined.

The recent success of the Red army
brought a flamboyant statement from
Litvinoff at Copenhagen predicting peace
forthwith. This is thoroughly discredited
in authoritative British quarters, where
it is pointed out the Allies have not
changed their attitude regarding recog-
nition of the Bolshevik Government,
which must be preceded by guarantees
of international decency and honor, the
first definite step being the payment of
Russian international financial and com-
mercial obligations.

The hope that such guarantees will be
given is believed to be the basis of the
optimism in certain quarters, the French
financial interest in Russia being al-
ways the stumbling block. While it is
possible that important concessions may
be made in the Russian blockade in
Paris next week, the Russian problem
as a whole is not up before the Supreme
Council.

IRKUTSK BESIEGED
BY REVOLUTIONISTS

Railway Taken, but Kolchak
Forces Hold City.

By the Associated Press.

IRKUTSK, Dec. 28 (delayed).—Irkutsk
is in a state of siege. Bolsheviks have
declared following an uprising of local
revolutionary troops on December 24,
during which they captured the railway
station, but were unable to take the
city from the Kolchak forces. Peace is
being preserved by the Czech-Slovak
troops. The Americans in Irkutsk are
safe and will be evacuated to Verkhne-
Udinsk, 160 miles east of Irkutsk.

Communication across the Angara
River is difficult because of the cutting

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Moscow Reds Predict World Victory in 1920

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A Soviet
wireless message received
from Moscow to-day flashes New
Year's greetings to the world.
The message, after celebrating
1919 as a year of victory for the
Soviets, says:
"In 1920 we shall attain a vic-
torious end of civil war. Siberia,
the Ukraine, the Don region and
the Caucasus desire the Soviets.
There will also be Soviets at Berlin,
Washington, Paris and London.
Soviet authority will be su-
preme throughout the world."

DENIKINE FACES CRUSHING BLOW

Reds Force His Retreat Along

Whole 600 Mile Front in
Drive on Centre.

MAY CUT ARMY IN TWO

Bolsheviks Reach Rich Coal
Basin—Report Capture of
2,000 Prisoners.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—The position of
Gen. Denikine, the anti-Bolshevik
leader in south Russia, is becoming
more critical. Reports received by the
War Office show that his retreat is
continuing along virtually the whole of
his 600 mile front and that the Bol-
sheviki drive against his centre with
the purpose of cutting his army in two
has brought about a critical situation.
The capture of Yekaterinograd, on
the southern Russian front, and Novo-
moskovsk, fifteen miles northeast of
Yekaterinograd, is announced in a Bol-
sheviki official statement issued to-day.
The Reds also have captured the
town of Tcherkassy, on the Dnieper,
ninety-five miles southeast of Kiev.

Another Bolshevik communication is-
sued late to-day says:

"We advanced to a line ten versts
southwest of Yekaterinograd. In the
direction of Yagan Rog we occupied
Dovozhok and a series of villages to
the east."

"On the Trinka and Meus rivers our
cavalry captured 2,000 prisoners, three
armored trains and other booty. We
have reached a line on the Kamenka
River, forty versts southwest of Lu-
gansk."

The Bolshevik advance guards have
reached the Donetsk coal basin and are
less than 100 miles from the coast. This
basin represents the richest mineral sec-
tion of Russia, and its acquisition by the
Reds would be of inestimable value to
them. Further east the Reds are im-
perceptibly the left flank of the Caucasian
army. The Bolsheviks evidently have
succeeded in concentrating overwhelming
forces against Denikine's somewhat
thinly held centre and are exploiting
their advantage to the fullest degree.

Another threatening situation exists in
Trans-Caspia, where the Bolsheviks
claim they have occupied Djebel Station,
eighty miles east of Krasnovodsk. In
their advance toward that town, Red
reinforcements continue to arrive in the
New region of Trans-Caspia from Cen-
tral Russia. This makes the menace
along the Persian and Afghan borders
critical.

The Red propaganda is increasing in
intensity and all the evidence indicates
that the Soviet Government entertains
far-reaching anti-British designs in Cen-
tral Asia.

The War Office report says it may be
considered that Gen. Kolchak has ceased
to be a factor in Russian military af-
fairs.

HOOVER FOOD PLAN AGREEMENT REACHED

First Shipments Will Reach
Hamburg January 6.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—The Government has
received news that an agreement has
been reached on the conditions sug-
gested by Herbert Hoover whereby food
will be supplied to Central Europe.
It expects shipments of flour will ar-
rive in Hamburg on January 6, but
says they will not be distributed until
details of Mr. Hoover's plan are com-
pleted.

SIR OLIVER LODGE IS TO VISIT AMERICA

Savant Says He Has Talked
With Dead Persons.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—Sir Oliver Lodge,
president of the Society for Psychical
Research, will leave for the United
States soon after his retirement as prin-
cipal of the University of Birmingham,
which position he has held since 1910.

Immortality and the survival of mem-
ory and affections after death is said by
Sir Oliver Lodge to have been estab-
lished to his satisfaction on "definite
scientific grounds," although the asser-
tion, he admits, has met with "strong
hostility" on the part of unbelievers,
which he says is "quite in accordance
with ordinary scientific traditions."
Sir Oliver's son Raymond was killed
in the war and he has written an inter-
esting book in which he describes com-
munications he says he has had with
his son since death. He also asserts
that he has held conversations with
friends who are dead. The belief is
held by Sir Oliver that unseen beings
surround dwellers upon this planet and
cooperate with them and aid them, and
that Divine help is constantly being
given in the same way.

Polk Says He Won't Resign.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Under Sec-
retary of State Polk said to-day he had
no intention of resigning and declined to
accept the statement.

WEDDING BELLS.—Harris Theatre,
today and their immediate family like
-Adv.

'NEW POOR' AND LABOR IN UNION TO RULE BRITAIN

Control of Next Govern-
ment Seen as Result of
Bromley Election.

WIN ASQUITH LIBERALS

To Abandon Nationaliza-
tion for Direct Action
Through Strikes.

WORLD PEACE OBJECTIVE

Trades Unions in Future to
Concentrate on Constitu-
tional Methods.

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LONDON, Jan. 1.—The Parliamentary
by-election in the Bromley district,
showing a great Labor gain, has
proved a bombshell in the British po-
litical world and has resulted in pre-
dictions of a coalition of Labor with the
"new poor" professional men,
clerks and others of the middle class,
some going so far as to prophesy that
Labor in this sense will form the next
Government. The Bromley result is
regarded as a demonstration of Labor's
claim that the Asquithian Liberals all
over the country are flocking to La-
bor's banner, hopeless of relief under
Liberal, Conservative or coalition domi-
nation.

Labor's near approach to victory in
the Bromley district, decreasing the
coalition majority of 12,501 in Decem-
ber, 1918, to 1,071, indicates also that
the trades unions are concentrating
their fight more on constitutional
methods.

The effect on Labor will be the aban-
donment of the demands for nationaliza-
tion, which are the pets only of the
miners and other radicals, and the
substitution of constitutional action
through the ballot for direct action
through strikes. The propaganda
which brought about the surprising
result in Bromley, where Labor polled
10,000 votes, only 1,000 short of vic-
tory, in an essentially middle class,
non-labor district, was carried on ex-
tensively in the schools and elsewhere,
strengthening the argument that it is the
natural function of the middle classes
to officer the labor army in the fight
for social justice, and when the fight is
won to give expert aid to labor in
building a new world on the ruins of
the old.

Result Called Amazing.

In Bromley there are conditions which
condemn the "new poor" class to live
on wages which laborers refuse. Labor
leaders, however, while realizing the
true significance of the Bromley result,
seem doubtful themselves as to whether
the party's experience is yet sufficient
to take over the reins of government.
J. H. Thomas, leader of the railway
unions, said to The Sun correspondent:
"The Bromley result is amazing. It

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Berlin Bourse Firm as Treaty Signing Nears

BERLIN, Dec. 31 (delayed).—
The Bourse to-day assumed
a lively and firm tendency on the
occasion of the last day of 1919.
This was due chiefly to the un-
derstanding Germany had reached
with the Entente with regard to
the signing of the peace treaty
and the expectation of better
conditions for exports and im-
ports.

HARVARD BEATS OREGON ELEVEN

Eastern Football Team Scores
7 to 6 Victory in Tourna-
ment of Roses Game.

CHURCH GETS TOUCHDOWN

A. Horween Follows With
Goal That Brings Victory—
Casey Crimson Hero.

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PARADISE, Jan. 1.—Coming out of the
East with almost every chance against
it the Harvard eleven won a titanic
gridiron struggle from Oregon here
this afternoon by 7 to 6. No other
Eastern team ever has been able to
win a Tournament of Roses contest.
The game was the chief event of
the annual carnival, and was played
amid colorful surroundings before a
frenzied crowd of 35,000 persons.

The contest was a football game in
every sense of the word. Overhanging
clouds and cool weather, strange in
this land of perpetual flowers, failed to
lessen the enthusiasm of the specta-
tors, and, in addition, added the Crim-
son combination materially. The im-
pending rain, which Oregon support-
ers thought would help their "mud
horses," failed to materialize.

The Harvard team throughout played
much the same game that it displayed
in the Yale and the Princeton contests
last fall. Murray to Casey forward
passes were mixed into an attack that
carried a strong running game and
well planned strategy.

The veritable attack of the Easterners
was met by stalwart defense from
Oregon. The fighting qualities of the
Western defenders were exemplified in
the last minute of play, when Harvard,
separated by inches from a second
touchdown, was held for down. Har-
vard's points were scored on a touch-
down by Church and a goal kicked by
Arnold Horween. Steers of the Oregon
team kicked one goal from the field and
Manerud, who replaced Steers later, sent
the ball between the posts for a second
field goal. All the scoring was done in
the second period.

Oregon had a well balanced attack,
too, but its overhand game and its
strategy failed. The much heralded
"wild" signals were a negligible factor.
Whenever Oregon penetrated Har-
vard's territory to any great extent the
Crimson defense always braced and
hurled the Western offense back.

Harvard's Teamwork Excels.

Harvard's victory was due as much
to superior team work, based on experi-
ence gained on Eastern fields, as to any
other single factor. The superior
weights of the Crimson players seemed
to have little to do with it, judging from

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BORAH SOUNDS CANDIDATES ON LEAGUE VIEWS

Acting for Irreconcilables,
Demands Their Position
on Foreign Relations.

ISSUE IN CAMPAIGN

Lowden First to Be Asked
to Announce Attitude—
Letters to Others Soon.

ENTANGLEMENTS FEARED

Definite Statements Demanded
to Prevent "Secret" Al-
liances in Future.

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WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Candidates for
the Republican nomination for Presi-
dent are to be called on explicitly to
state where they stand on the set of
questions involving foreign relations
which grow out of the German peace
treaty, the League of Nations and the
changed attitude of America toward
the world resulting from the war.

Senator Borah, irreconcilable oppo-
nent of the league and treaty, to-day
addressed a letter to Gov. Frank O.
Lowden of Illinois calling on him as
an aspirant for the nomination to de-
clare his position. At the end Senator
Borah significantly wrote:

"I wish to say further that those for
whom I speak, and particularly I, have
no intention of confining these and
similar questions to yourself."

In other words, all the Presidential
aspirants will in due time be called
upon to declare whether they are for
or against the League of Nations and
the alliance of America with Europe in
the new "world order" that President
Wilson has sought to create.

Letters Soon to Others.

That Gov. Lowden is the first to be
distinguished by having these questions
addressed to him signifies nothing, it is
explained. The positions of those Sen-
ators who are looked upon as Presi-
dential aspirants have of course already
been made known because they have
had to vote on the question.

Gov. Lowden and Major-General Leonard
Wood are the two prominent candidates
whose positions have not been defined,
and Gen. Wood has been allowed the
benefit of the assumption that as an
army officer he might have been em-
barrassed about declaring himself too
specifically on an issue so prominently
raised by his Commander in Chief. None
the less a letter of similar character will
soon be addressed to Gen. Wood and to
every other entrant for the Republican
nomination.

The move has been under considera-
tion for some time by the irreconcilables.
Senator Borah is a supporter of Senator
Johnson (Cal.) for the nomination, and
they have been the leaders of the "bat-
talion of death," so far as the Repub-
lican side of the Senate is concerned.
Determined that the league issue cannot
and shall not be kept out of the national
campaign and convinced that politicians
of both parties are trying hard to keep
it out, these irreconcilables are taking

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COMMUNIST PLOT TO RULE COUNTRY EXPOSED BY RAID; CHICAGO POLICE SEIZE 200

FRANCO-BRITISH
PACT ON TURKEY

London Says Joint Mandate

Probably Will Be Taken by
Two Great Powers.

SULTAN RELIGIOUS HEAD

Constantinople, and the Darda-
nelles to Be Internation-
alized, Is Plan.

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LONDON, Jan. 1.—Indications to-night
were that a substantial Franco-British
accord had been reached as to the
future of Turkey and the disposition
of Constantinople, following the con-
fusion in Peace Conference circles re-
sulting from the conviction that Amer-
ica will not take a mandate there. The
coming Paris conference of the Presi-
dents will make the decision effective,
and this, together with the decision re-
garding the other great gateway to the
Orient—Russia—constitutes the great
work of the forthcoming conference.
Obtaining the German signature to
the protocol to the Versailles treaty
is regarded here as more or less of a
formality.

From authoritative sources The Sun
is able to say that the Franco-British
policy for Turkey embraces, first, inter-
nationalization of Constantinople and
the Dardanelles under a possible joint
mandate of Great Britain and France.
These Powers at least will predominate
in authority. Second, removal of the po-
litical seat of Turkish Government to
Ankara; third, retention of Constantinople
as the seat of the Caliphate
head of the Mussulman religion, in the
person of the Sultan, the Caliph not ex-
cluding any civil power in Constanti-
nople.

It is credibly reported that Lloyd
George is going to Paris with a definite
achieve satisfactory to the religious
sentiments of the millions of Moham-
medans under both French and British
rule, at the same time assuring con-
trol of the Bosphorus and all it implies
politically and economically to the west-
ern world, taking it out of weak and
venal hands.

While indications here are that the
conversations of M. Berthelot for
France and Lord Curzon for Great Brit-
ain left minor points open British op-
inion believes the plan outlined to-
night meets the most important of
French objections regarding the Caliph-
ate upon which much of the French
success in the new empire of North
Africa depends.

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bassador."

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January 3, Gerard was asked by friends
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off. It had been postponed, he said,
because it had been impossible to com-
plete arrangements to handle the great
number of men who wished to attend.

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ballot in the Ohio primaries he will
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BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Jan. 1.—Sir
Horace Plunkett arrived here this morn-
ing to spend a few days of rest in a
local sanitarium. He was apparently
in good health. Sir Horace will return
to New York next week to resume his
work in the United States in behalf of
home rule for Ireland.

Sliding Scale to Be Based on
Number of Children.

PARIS, Jan. 1.—Parents having four
or more children will enjoy special
privileges under the railroad bill passed
by the Chamber of Deputies. To those
travelling third class reductions in rates
will be given amounting to 30 per cent.
to families of four children, 40 per cent.
to those having five and 50 per cent. to
those having six or more.

Albert Clavelle, Minister of Public
Works, said the increases provided for
were 15 per cent. above the pre-war
average of passengers, 145 per cent. for
necessities and 152 for merchandise. He
added they would increase the cost of
living only 2 per cent.

CHEAP FARES FOR BIG
FAMILIES IN FRANCE

Novel Step Taken to Care for
Influx of Strangers.

BERLIN, Jan. 1.—Beginning with the
new year, tourists unable to secure ac-
commodations at hotels will be offered
quarters for the night in sleepers at
quaranters at the main stations. An en-
deavor will thus be made to meet the in-
creasing influx of strangers.
Travellers arriving late at night and
intending to leave next morning will
be given preference in the reservations,
which at present comprise six hundred
berths. The Railroad Administration de-
clares it is not intended to compete with
hotels, although it announced the prices
for the sleepers will be kept within a
moderate range.

350,000 Lives Saved
Is Blue's 1920 Greeting

Special Dispatch to The Sun.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 1.—Sur-
geon-General Rupert Blue's
New Year's greeting to the Amer-
ican people is the announcement
that in the last twenty years it
has been possible to reduce the
general death rate in this coun-
try from 17.6 to 14.3 per 1,000.
Had the conditions of twenty
years ago prevailed during the
year just passed, Surgeon-Gen-
eral Blue says, 350,000 more per-
sons would have died than actu-
ally did die.

Surgeon-General Blue in thank-
ing the newspaper press of the
country for its cooperation in
disseminating health educational
matter says that the newspapers
must be given credit for very
materially helping in the substan-
tial achievement of reducing the
death rate.

BRYAN BACKERS AIDING GERARD

Helping Ex-Ambassador in

New York to Keep State
From Palmer.

KEEP RIVALRY FRIENDLY

Commoner's Agents Report

Former Envoy Popular—He

Doesn't Deny It.

Friends of William Jennings Bryan,
realizing that he can never hope to
lead the delegates from New York State to
the Democratic National Convention,
are preparing to assist James W. Ger-
ard in his fight to become the "favorite
son."

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PLUNKETT NOT DEAD
BUT IN A SANITARIUM

Irish Home Ruler Arrives in
Battle Creek, Mich.

LONDON, Jan. 1.—A report received
from the United States that Sir Horace
Plunkett, the distinguished Irish states-
man, was dead, was published in all the
newspapers to-day, together with long
and eulogistic obituaries. The secretary
of Sir Horace posted a notice on the
door of Sir Horace's home in Dublin
during the day saying that the report of
his death was not credited. The notice
added that Sir Horace had called home
Saturday that his health was much
better.

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